Village Council Monday, March 15, 2010 7:00 PM

Minutes

<u>Call to Order:</u> Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry called the meeting to order at 7pm.

<u>Pledge of Allegiance:</u> Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry led the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

John Bender Rick Deeds Steve Donahue Bobbie Mershon Marilyn Rush-Ekelberry Leah Turner James Wynkoop

Approval of Minutes:

Mrs. Mershon moved to approve the minutes from the March 1st, 2010 meeting; seconded by Mrs. Turner.

VOTE: AYES Dr. Bender, Mrs. Mershon, Mr. Donahue, Mrs. Turner

Mr. Deeds, Mr. Wynkoop, Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry

NAYS

Motion carried.

Communications & Petitions:

A letter was received from WOW Internet, Cable and Phone regarding programming changes which will be effective on March 31, 2010.

A letter was received from the Arbor Day Foundation congratulating the Village on being named a Tree City USA Community for 2009. This is the 17th year that Canal Winchester has earned this national designation.

The agenda and attachments for Canal Winchester Human Services Bi-annual General Meeting on March 16th were presented.

A memo was received from Allan Neimayer regarding Application ZA10-01 "Residential uses in the GC district". The Planning and Zoning Commission has recommended the zoning code be amended. This will be scheduled for a Public Hearing on April 19th at 6:30pm.

State Representative Marian Harris will be having a Town Hall meeting on April 29, 2010 from 7PM to 8:30 PM in Town Hall, 10 N. High Street.

Village Residents Comments:

Tony Note, of 126 E Columbus Street, stated there is a safety issue on E. Columbus Street. A car ran over a young street tree Sunday morning. Incidents at the curve on Columbus Street coming out of Lithopolis have become more frequent. The reflectors have been installed but they haven't helped the problem. This will be up for discussion at the next Safety meeting and he will attend to see if a solution can be reached.

Sheriff Phalen stopped by to see if there were any questions for him. He is happy with the way the Deputies have served the Village and is proud to serve.

ORDINANCES:

FIRST READING

Sponsor: Mrs. Mershon

O-10-03B AN ORDINANCE TO UPDATE THE SWIMMING POOL RATES FOR 2010. Mrs. Mershon read the ordinance and explained the proposed changes. First Reading only.

Sponsor: Mr. Wynkoop

O-10-03D AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT

WITH RICART FORD, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF A 2011 FORD F-250 4X4 AND

DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Wynkoop read the ordinance and moved to suspend the rules and declare an emergency. Mrs. Turner seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES Dr. Bender, Mrs. Mershon, Mr. Donahue, Mrs. Turner

Mr. Deeds, Mr. Wynkoop, Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry

NAYS

Motion carried.

Mr. Wynkoop moved to adopt Ordinance 10-10; seconded by Mrs. Turner.

VOTE: AYES Dr. Bender, Mrs. Mershon, Mr. Donahue, Mrs. Turner

Mr. Deeds, Mr. Wynkoop, Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry

NAYS

Motion carried.

SECOND READING

Sponsor: Mr. Donahue

O-10-03A AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A PARTICIPATION

AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE PURCHASE OF SODIUM CHLORIDE (ROCK SALT) FOR THE 2010-2011 WINTER

SEASON AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Donahue read the ordinance and moved to suspend the rules and declare an emergency. Dr.

Bender seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES Dr. Bender, Mrs. Mershon, Mr. Donahue, Mrs. Turner

Mr. Deeds, Mr. Wynkoop, Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry

NAYS

Motion carried.

Mr. Donahue moved to adopt Ordinance 11-10; seconded by Mrs. Mershon.

VOTE: AYES Dr. Bender, Mrs. Mershon, Mr. Donahue, Mrs. Turner

Mr. Deeds, Mr. Wynkoop, Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry

NAYS

Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS:

FIRST READING

Sponsor: Mrs. Mershon

R-10-03A A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MAIN STREET CANAL WINCHESTER TO

OPERATE THE "CANAL WINCHESTER BLUES AND RIBFEST" ON THE VARIOUS

STREETS AND SIDEWALKS OF THE VILLAGE OF CANAL WINCHESTER

Mrs. Mershon read the resolution. First reading only.

Mayor's Report:

Dr. Bender moved to accept the Clerk of the Mayor's Court February 2010 report; seconded by Mrs. Turner.

VOTE: AYES Dr. Bender, Mrs. Mershon, Mr. Donahue, Mrs. Turner

Mr. Deeds, Mr. Wynkoop, Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry

NAYS

Motion carried.

Mayor Ebert received a \$1000 donation toward the Interurban Building from Thomas Bigwood. Diley Ridge Open House was a success. It will be a great facility and a great addition to our Village. There is a tornado drill scheduled for Wednesday, March 24th at 9:50am.

House Bill 415 is working on the texting ban and we are waiting on MORPC to firm up their legislation before we take action within the Village.

Mr. Hollins stated that he is waiting on information from Mr. Jim Hughes, State Representative, about the bill.

Dr. Bender asked about the first names being included on the Mayor's Court report or the names not being given at all. Ms. Osborn stated that she didn't need to include that portion at all, but she would look into it.

Fairfield County Sheriff:

Sqt. Kern read the report.

There was some vandalism done to Dysart; suspects were caught.

Suspects were apprehended in Pickerington that have been responsible for house break-ins in Pickerington and surrounding areas.

Current Mayor's Court procedures and personnel were discussed.

Village Solicitor:

Mr. Hollins stated that the Appeals Court has spoken on the Rockford Matter and the decision was passed out before the meeting to Council members. He stated that we are not pleased with the outcome, but it was a well-written and well-reasoned opinion. We could appeal to the Supreme Court, but they don't have to take cases and may not take issues that are not novel or first-impression. We have not heard from Rockford as to their plans as of this time.

We are looking forward to getting information from Mayor and the Council Members at Thursday's Charter Commission meeting.

Finance Director:

The financial statement for February 2010 was included in the packet. Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry asked about the law regarding outstanding checks. Discussion ensued.

Public Works Director:

Mr. Peoples stated that the skate park concrete steps will be poured tomorrow and the grading is done. Landscaping will be the next project, giving the park a projected opening of Spring Break.

The street dept is doing pothole patrol and cleaning the trash pick-up.

Hydrant flushing will be taking place throughout the month of April.

The Red-line version of the Storm water design manual was passed out and he would like Council to look over it and bring any questions to the April meeting.

Development Director:

Mr. Strayer passed out a booklet that we get from the Daily Reporter that gives general information about the region and the communities and programs.

He submitted on a state lead today for 10-20 acres. He has processed about 30 leads this year and has only been able to submit on 3. There are a lot of building leads, not as many land leads.

Mrs. Mershon asked out getting restaurants in the Meijer area. Mr. Strayer said eventually there will be restaurants, but not soon.

CWICC will be meeting in April.

Community Affairs Director:

Ms. Hoover passed out an information packet on the Census and asked that everyone spread the word to residents to get them to mail back in their census form.

Ms. Osborn added that we will be a site to assist with people filling out their census questionnaire. There will be a person on site to help residents and they will be able to assist in 61 different languages.

Council Reports:

Old Town Committee Monday, April 12, 2010 at 5:45 PM Finance Committee Monday, April 5, 2010 at 5:45 PM Service Committee Monday, April 19, 2010 at 5:45 PM

- CIP Project and Mail box replacement policy will be coming to council soon.

Safety Committee Monday, April 12, 2010 at 5:00 PM

CW Joint Recreation District Representative – basketball is winding down and soccer is starting

CW Human Services Representative - bi-annual meeting tomorrow

Main Street Canal Winchester Representative – no meeting

Canal Winchester Industry & Commerce Corporation Representative Rules Committee Representative - no changes coming forth

Charter Review Commission

Committee of Whole

Thursday, March 18, 2010 6:30 PM -Council and Mayor invited Monday, March 29, 2009 at 6:30 PM 1st hour with P & Z

Parks Advisory Committee Wednesday, March 24, 2010 at 6:30 PM -Wrap up session

Old/New Business:

Mayor Ebert is trying to come up with a date for the dedication of the historical marker for the Interurban Building. When it is decided, he will bring it to Council.

Adjourn to Executive Session: Not needed at this time.

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| VOTE: | AYES | AYES Dr. Bender, Mrs. Mershon, Mr. Donahue, Mrs. Turner | | |
| | Mr. Deeds, Mr. Wynkoop, Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry | | | |
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Adjournment:

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